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SUBJECT: STUDENTS ATTACK CONSTITUTION (VI)

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1. PRIME MINISTER SANYA THAMMASAK ON 25 SEPTEMBER WENT ON TELEVISION TO EXPLAIN HIS POSITION IN THE CURRENT CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS. ADMITTING THAT HIS STATEMENTS TO STUDENTS AND THE PRESS ON 22 SEPTEMBER "MIGHT HAVE BEEN A BIT VAGUE"; HE NEVERTHELESS ASSURED EVERYONE THAT HE HAD NO INTENTION OF ARMTWISTING THE NLA IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT PASSAGE OF THE CONSTITUTION. SANYA CONFIDENTIAL

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URGED ALL CONTENDING GROUPS TO REFRAIN FROM VIOLENCE

FROM NOW THROUGH OCTOBER 14 AND EVEN RECOMMENDED THAT EVERYONE STOP DRINKING LIQUOR ON THAT DAY. HE GAVE NO INDICATION OF WHAT TRANSPIRED IN HIS DISCUSSION WITH THE KING ON SEPTEMBER 23.

2. COMMENT: PEACE, ORDER AND RATIONALITY FOR THE MOMENT SEEM TO HAVE RETURNED TO BANGKOK. IT NOW APPEARS THAT THE ASSEMBLY WILL PROBABLY PASS THE CONSTITUTION ON OCTOBER 5, 1974. IT WILL BE PROMULGATED ON OCTOBER 8, 1974. WHETHER IT WILL BE AMENDED THEREAFTER REMAINS AN OPEN QUESTION. KINTNER

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